

COMBINED DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
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Attorney's Docket No.
4452-568

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**HYDRODYNAMIC TORQUE CONVERTER WITH AT LEAST ONE AXIAL BEARING
ARRANGEMENT FOR SUPPORTING THE STATOR**

The specification of which (check only one item below)

[x] is attached hereto

[] was filed as United States application

Serial No.

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